

Old cars converge on village Sunday



A CORD, AN OAKLAND, a Gray Dorr and a Hudson can be spotted amongst the old model T's and model A's parked on the grounds of Ray Death and his neighbors on Sunday when over 60 automobiles gathered to attend the 9th annual meet in Rockwood.

(Photo by Don Hills)

The road was a ribbon of sunlight and down the road the cars came purring, purring, as at least 60 automobiles of vintage make gathered at the parking lot of the United Church last Sunday to begin their annual entourage down the Rockwood streets.

Buicks and Plymouths, ancient but in great supply, dotted the road and, included in the procession a Cord, an Oakland, a Gray Dorr, a Hudson, and a Terraplane all mingled with the old model T's, model A's and the Ford V8's.

Sunday was a glorious day and whole families were included in the day's outing with cars coming in from Stratford, Tavistock, and all lot of the United Church last Sunday to begin their annual entourage down the Rockwood streets.

Ray Death led the parade, driving his 1934 Lincoln with special guests, including Dave Thomson of Stratford, Ontario. Second in the procession was Don Hills driving the Death's '39

Plymouth with daughter Donna, and her husband Bruce. And on it went car after car with passengers from Rockwood and district who wanted to go along for the fun.

The tour went through the village of Eden Mills, down the town line to the 401 highway to double back up the Campbellville Road, a stop off at the historic Electric Railway track with rides for everyone, and back again to Rockwood for supper time at the Death's home.

The 30 mile drive went off without a hitch except that a

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Free Press Rockwood



SUNDAY WAS a big day at the site of the Halton County Radial Museum when over 200 passengers converged on the grounds requesting rides on the old cars. It was all part of the 30 mile trip planned for the drivers attending the rally in Rockwood for the Historical Automobile Society of Canada and, as they wended their way up the Campbellville Road, stopped off at the local museum.

(Photo by Don Hills)

Ball park reverts to Eramosa

History repeats itself and once again the Eden Mills ball park will be under the jurisdiction of the Eramosa Township Council once the necessary by-law is completed.

Original purchase of the seven acre park dates back to 1947 when ambitious citizens purchased two parcels of land from Art Rudd and Duncan MacDougall for which community club members backed a note and later installed flood lights costing somewhere in the neighborhood of \$3,800 with volunteer villagers supplying the energy and workmanship.

In Eden Mills the park is the focal point of village activity in conjunction with the winter months. Indoor activities are conducted in the centre with the ball park floodlights the drawing card

for skaters to the two outdoor rinks in the village. The annual fun fair, community outdoor endeavours, and the regular summer series of ball games for children of all ages, are the activities absorbed by the local grounds in the summer time.

In trust Originally the park was owned by the Eden Mills and District Community Club but was held in trust, for purposes of grants and taxes, by the township of Eramosa. It was later transferred to the Nassagaweya Township and, at the last meeting of the Eramosa Township Council it was decided to make the request to the Council of Nassagaweya to pass the necessary by-law to have it transferred back again to Eramosa. The transfer should be effective January 1,

1974 at the same time the annexation of the lower portion of Eden Mills is completed as part of the township of Eramosa.

Of interesting note is the fact that the community hall was not turned over to the Community Club until after the purchase of the ball park. At one time it was all owned by the Independent Order of Foresters which, gradually depleting in numbers, became defunct at which time shareholders owning the building released the building for purchase to the Eden Mills Community Club.

Also noteworthy are the stone entrance gates to the park built in dedication by stone mason Will Wilson as a memorial to his son Charles, killed in the second world war.



SYLVIA NEVILLE has taken up candle-making as a hobby and is opening her home in Eden Mills this Saturday between the hours of 2 to 4 p.m. for villagers and friends who wish to peruse her accomplishments. Candles of all shapes will be on display at her Main Street cottage residence and Sylvia says she'll have a welcome mat out for anyone who'd like to visit.

(Photo by Lorraine)

Candle maker's show

Candle making has become a home-time hobby for Mrs. Lloyd Neville of Eden Mills who is opening her home this Saturday afternoon to display her hand moulded wax creations for a first time showing.

Eight years in Eden Mills Sylvia Neville was a one-time Acton resident who became interested in the art of candle making last December with the prospect of Christmas nudging its expensive head and a creative instinct ready to bloom.

Toadstools, flowers, floral designs, the softly blended colored waxes are gently

crafted in a variety of shapes. Mrs. Neville says she does not use moulds for her creations and enjoys the undisciplined way of sculpting.

Son helps As well as getting her local friends in on her new endeavour Sylvia had her special assistant in seven year old Lloyd, her young son, who shares the same creative abilities with his mother and has also turned out his own juvenile collection of candles only "his are not for sale".

The Nevilles live in one of the original old stone cottages on the Main Street in the

Leaf tour

Cars have thronged the roads in scenic areas the past two weekends. Many drove through this area to see the leaves making bumper-to-bumper traffic, along some winding rural roads.

village; one built and owned by a great grandfather of Sylvia's husband Lloyd Neville under the family name Hampson.

Centennial school

So far the points for each team in noon hour soccer are: Team A 3, B 5, C 1, D 5, E 2, F 2, G 1, H 2, I 0, J 4, K 4, L 1, M 3.

The score of last Thursday's soccer game against Eramosa was 2-1 for Rockwood.

On Tuesday Rockwood will be playing flag football against Erin's boys.

The girls are going to get a flag football team together also.

Be ready

Save your papers and pennies. The high school students will be collecting paper soon and the public schools will be seeking pennies for UNICEF on Halloween.

Comin's and Goin's

Amid colored leaves, orange pumpkins, multi-colored squash and marrows, the members of St. John's welcomed a belated Thanksgiving service last Sunday and, with sun shining warmly when they left the church they were reminded that "all is bright with the world." They were met at the door by a chunky but elegant gentlemen garbed in gray and wearing white gloves and spats. On closer investigation the visitor turned out to be Felix Root, the cat next door.

It's congratulations to Eric Hills, the son of Don and Winnie, who is gradually moving up the scale of success. Word is that Eric was recently appointed product manager, Advanced Header Parts, of Linread Canada Limited, the company which manufactures cold forged fasteners for sale to industry across Canada. Nice going, Eric, it's great to see a popular, former citizen get ahead!

Surprise, surprise, and Brenda Ingle of Harris Street was amazed to see a familiar face walking down the street as she holidayed in the Bahamas last weekend. It was Trinidad, Tobago, and the Barbados and Dennis Death of Rockwood enjoyed a short holiday leaving last Sunday and decided to drop in and look up Brenda who is taking two weeks in the southern climate and won't be home until next Sunday.

The halls of St. Joseph's Home for the Aged rang with youthful spirits and good cheer last Sunday when a group of youngsters, the Eden Mills United Church Junior Choir, visited the residents and sang for them. Some of the choir members were at Girl Guide Camp and had to be transported from Eden Mills to Arkell and then picked up at Arkell and headed for Guelph so it was good deeding for the girl guides but the mothers also deserved a ribbon for their effort.

A number of young people from Eden Mills enjoyed viewing the taping of Ian Tyson Show in Toronto last weekend and are hoping to catch themselves on tv when produced. So maybe it's show biz with Eden Millers some time this winter.

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Eden Mills Brownie News
 by 2nd Eden Mills Brownie Pack

Everything went perfectly well on our camp weekend. The weather was beautiful and 24 Brownies ate like 24 horses, from pancakes to stew, to sausages and macaroni cheese, apple strudel, cookies and apples etc.

Costumes were designed and made during the day, on Saturday, when Mrs. Petrie joined us for the evening talent show around the bonfire, which consisted of our magician (by special request from last year) plays (a little more drawn out than appreciated by some small tired members of the pack), song and dance teams, and recitals.

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75th birthday party Sunday

The home of Mr. and Mrs. George Thomas was the scene of a casual gathering Sunday afternoon when more than 60 relatives and friends got together to honor Mrs. Thomas on her 75th birthday.

Conveners were Lucille and Lorne Fernfuss, Guelph; and Hazel and Wilbert Hoare, Owen Sound. Ten was poured by Mrs. Norman Hoare, Kitchener.

Out-of-town guests were from Acton, Bramalea, Guelph, Galt-Cambridge, Kitchener, Oakville, Owen Sound, Peterborough, Thunder Bay and Toronto.

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